

Kickoff at Circleville!

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The Pickaway County Fair kicked off the 2016 Ohio Colt Racing Association stake races with two beautiful days of harness racing. Saturday's card of 17 races and Sunday's card of 16 races featured 28 stake races and 5 overnights including the Steamin' Demon Pace, a local history lesson and feature race.

With over \$90,000 in purse money available, the horsemen turned out with over 200 colts and fillies and the fans lined the backstretch fences and enjoyed the view from the stands with the Adelphi Community Band on Saturday and the Pumpkin Show Band on Sunday.

The speed committee at Circleville deserve kudos as they had great publicity, advertisements, give-a-ways and plenty of food vendors. They also promoted several races with honorariums to horsemen through the ages in Pickaway County. John Fissell and Tish Arledge memorial races were held on Saturday and Forrest Short, Bill Mayhugh and Edward "Yock" Strawser memorials were raced on Sunday. Two Pickaway County campaigners were also honored in the Macs Classic trot and the Steamin'Demon pace. Sixty plus years after Steamin' Demon won the hearts of round town fans, the Van Camp family was on hand to present trophies in the feature race and the George W. Van Camp trot.